

PRESENT: Chairman J. Matthew Rivers, Vice-Chair Lenora V. Powe, Council Members: Kenneth A. Johnson, G. Franklin Plyler, Bruce E. Rivers, Mary D. Anderson, Robert G. Cole, Gerald L. Miller, Douglas A. Curtis.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Denise R. Douglass – Administrator; Michelle Stanley – Finance Director; Susie Boswell – Clerk to Council; C. Heath Ruffner – County Attorney; Bryan Givens; Ginger Givens; Amber Starnes; Stacy Walters; Chris Teal; Wilson Griggs; Buddy Rogers; Stanley Potthoff; Stoney Rushing; Olive Tyner, Sylvester Griggs and Jill Perry. There were others attending the meeting who did not sign the sign-in-sheet.

CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers welcomed everyone and Council Member Gerald L. Miller opened the meeting with prayer.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers advised that Council needs to go into Executive to discuss a legal matter and a personnel matter regarding Economic Development. Council Member Johnson made a motion to adopt the February 4, 2015 meeting agenda with any amendments approved by Council. Council Member Plyler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 7, 2015 - Regular Meeting

Council Member Cole made a motion to adopt the January 7, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes with the amendment on page one of the removal of Sheriff Jay Brook's name under "others present" as Sheriff Brooks was not present at the meeting. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

SIGNING OF BONDS, PAYROLL, AND AUTHORIZATIONS

None

APPOINTMENTS

a. The Honorable Jay L. Brooks, Sheriff

Appeared before Council to give them an update on the new Sheriff's Administration Building project and thanked Tim Eubanks and his people, Mike Orr and everyone who works with the County. Sheriff Brooks also invited Council to come take a tour of their new Administration Building immediately following Council meeting.

b. Bryan Givens, Citizen

Mr. Givens appeared before Council to express his concerns with a shooting range that is located in Pageland near his home. He advised Council that stray bullets have hit his home and he has found multiple bullets in his roof. He stated that he wanted to make Council aware of this situation in hopes that the County could help them get the problem resolved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Stanley Potthoff, Citizen

Appeared before Council asking that his home, along with many others, be removed from the Patrick fire tax map to the Alligator tax area. He advised that this would help the citizens with the cost of their insurance. He also advised that he had spoken with Representative Yow regarding this matter. He stated that he would appreciate any help they can get with this because many of their insurance costs have doubled or tripled. He also stated that he wanted to make Council aware of this situation in hopes that the County could help them get the problem resolved and if they can get this done, they would like a letter stating that they have been moved to Alligator to give to their insurance company.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. <u>Multi-County Park Agreement Ordinance Amendment (Lancaster – Schaeffler) – Public Hearing</u>

Vice-Chair Powe made a motion to open the Public Hearing. Council Member Plyler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. There were no oral comments from the public made nor were any written comments received.

Council Johnson made a motion to close the public hearing. Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

b. Lease Agreement Ordinance - Pee Dee Coalition - Public Hearing

Council Member Anderson made a motion to open the Public Hearing. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. There were no oral comments from the public made nor were any written comments received.

Council Member Johnson made a motion to close the public hearing. Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

ORDINANCE READINGS AND RESOLUTIONS

a. <u>Multi-County Park Agreement Ordinance Amendment</u> (Lancaster County and Schaeffler – 3rd Reading

Council Member Miller made a motion to pass 3rd Reading. Council Member Plyler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

b.<u>Lease Agreement (Craig House) Ordinance – Pee Dee Coalition – 3rd Reading</u> Vice-Chair Powe made a motion to pass 3rd Reading. Council Member Bruce E.

Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

c. Multi-County Park Agreement Ordinance (Lancaster County – Silgan Containers Manufacturing Corporation) – 2nd Reading Council Member Plyler made a motion to pass 2nd Reading. Council Member Cole

Council Member Plyler made a motion to pass 2nd Reading. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

d. Multi-County Park Agreement Ordinance (Kershaw County) – 1st Reading, by title only

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to pass 1st Reading, *by title only*. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

e. <u>Board of Assessment Appeals Ordinance Amendment – 1st Reading, by title only</u>
Council Member Miller made a motion to pass 1st Reading, by title only. Council
Member Anderson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY COUNCIL

None

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY STAFF

a. Update on Spay/Neuter Voucher Program – Douglass

Advised Council that the Spay/Neuter Voucher Program was a huge success and at this time, eighty-two (82) spay/neuters have been completed and fifty-four (54) are scheduled. This is a total of 136. Unfortunately the \$5,000 that Council allotted for this program has been exhausted. The shelter will not be able to accept any new applications for spay/neuter until June, which would be for the new fiscal year that begins on July 1.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Road Name Request - Douglass

Advised that staff had received a request for the road in Alligator Industrial Park to be named "Nestle Way". She stated that it was her understanding that the Alligator Water Board had already approved this request.

Council Member Plyler made a motion to name the road in the Alligator Industrial Park "Nestle Way". Vice-Chair Powe seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Johnson

None

Council Member Plyler

None

Council Member Moore

None

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers

None

Council Member Cole

None

Council Member Miller

None

Council Member Curtis

None

Council Vice-Chair Powe

There is a legislative breakfast in Cheraw on Friday beginning at 8:30 am at the Rivers Edge.

Council Chair J. Matthew Rivers

Advised that he would be forwarding a new committee list to each council member.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers recommended Council enter into Executive Session in accordance with S.C. Law, Section 30-40-70 of the S.C. Code of Laws, to discuss a legal matter and a personnel matter regarding Economic Development.

Council Member Johnson made a motion to enter Executive Session. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Council Member Johnson made a motion to exit Executive Session. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

REGULAR SESSION

Chairman Rivers reported Council is back in regular session. No action was taken and no motions were made in Executive Session.

Chairman Rivers advised that council had heard from the county attorney regarding the legal matter and that the county attorney would be working on this matter.

In regards to the Economic Development director, Chairman Rivers advised that it is the unanimous consensus of Council that County Council will hire that person via the administrator in the time and manner in which she decides and that the Economic Development Department is under the administrator in all form and manner and that the administrator will take care of that when she decides and as she decides.

ADJOURN

Council Member Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

APPROVED:

J. Matthew Rivers, Chairman

Date: March 4, 2015

ATTEST:

Susie Boswell, Clerk to Council